

wondering if the rules did state that 10 legislative days for introduction, if we are not really suspending the rules then we would need 30 votes instead of 25.

PRESIDENT: Good question. Senator Proud.

SPEAKER PROUD: No, we are not suspending the rules. The rule will still stand. Tomorrow is the 10th day. All day tomorrow if you want to stay in session that long bills can be introduced. The only thing that we are doing and we have always done this before, I believe, since I have been around here. We have got to put a deadline for request of the bill drafter because if we don't all of the bills will never be prepared in time for tomorrow. Tomorrow is the last day for introduction. If people keep bringing in bills, well theoretically you could keep submitting requests to the bill drafter all day tomorrow, but there would be no physical way that the bill drafter could get those bills in proper order for introduction within the 10 day period. So we traditionally do this so that you will know when your last request to the bill drafter can be submitted. I might further tell you that this will help you if you have to deny request from people for more bills. Because the longer time we have for introduction the more people will come up with some kind of bills that they would want you to introduce. At noon today you can tell them that you have no choice, that you can not get another bill introduced. They will have to go to a committee because the legislature has passed that motion. Besides as I said if we really get into a bind, we can suspend the rules.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR KEYES: That seems to be in a good position right now I think that we should close voting and go ahead. We don't need another vote as far as I am concerned.

PRESIDENT: Speaker Proud.

SPEAKER PROUD: Mr. President, to pass this motion we do need one more vote.

PRESIDENT: Never mind, we just got it. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 3 nays and 20 not voting.

PRESIDENT: Motion carries. This means that all requests for bills must be at the bill drafters by noon today. Now Senator Murphy for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR MURPHY: I have a question of Senator Cavanaugh.

PRESIDENT: Do you want to slip across the aisle or do you want to ask it before the body?

SENATOR MURPHY: I must prefer to ask it before the body.

PRESIDENT: All right, go ahead.

SENATOR MURPHY: Is it true Senator Cavanaugh?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: It is true Senator Murphy.

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